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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. As this application was filed after June 30, 2003, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.491(b), copies of US patent and US patent published applications are not submitted herewith. Copies of all other references were previously submitted to the Patent Office or cited by the Examiner in the prior application, Serial No. 10/186,956 filed July 1, 2002, which is a continuation of serial number 09/615,264, filed July 13, 2000, (now US patent 6,432,561 issued August 13, 2002) which is being relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)).

No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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Respectfully submitted,

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